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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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BLEED-THROUGH ON CAPTURED  
IMAGES

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In response to the office action mailed April 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as set forth below:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.